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HQ RC (SW)

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE FORCE IN AFGHANISTAN

MSGID RC (SW) DAILY REPORT

SEQUENCE NR: 090

EFFECTIVE DATE / TIME: 301700D*MAR 12 ALL TIMINGS: KABUL (D + 30) UNLESS STATED

RC (SW) COMMANDER'S COMMENTS: (S//REL)

THIS EVENING, REGIONAL COMMAND(SW) BID AN HONORABLE FAREWELL TO CORPORAL ROBERTO CAZAREZ, 1ST LAR, 1ST MARDIV (FWD), DURING A DIGNIFIED TRANSFER CEREMONY AT CAMP BASTION JOINT OPERATING BASE. CORPORAL CAZAREZ MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE DURING COMBAT OPERATIONS IN REG-E KHAN NESHIN, AFGHANISTAN. OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS AS THIS FALLEN HERO MAKES HIS FINAL JOURNEY HOME.

I WANT TO THANK IJC FOR THE RECENT DECISION TO RETAIN AIRCRAFT AND GUARDIAN ANGELS
PERSONNEL IN RC (SW). THEIR ENHANCED LIFE-SAVING MEDEVAC AND PERSONNEL RECOVERY CAPABILITIES ARE
FORCE MULTIPLIERS THAT ARE VITAL TO THE MAGTF. (b) (7) (f)

. WE LOOK FORWARD TO OUR CONTINUED

PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CREWS AND THE GUARDIAN ANGELS.

RC (SW) REQUESTS ASSISTANCE WITH CLARIFYING THE 1 APRIL ROTATION OF 4/3 ANCOP KANDAK WITH 3/4 ANCOP KANDAK IN SANGIN. ON THE ONE HAND, 5TH ANCOP BRIGADE COMMAND HAS A CIPHER FROM GEN ZAMARAI WHICH STATES THAT 4/3 ANCOP KANDAK WILL NOT BE REPLACED AND THAT THE RCOP HAS AGREED TO TAKE ON THE TASK WITH AUP. CONVERSELY, THE ANCOP G3 ADVISOR IN KABUL CONFIRMED THIS AFTERNOON THAT 3/4 ANCOP WILL DEPLOY FROM RC (E) WITH 270 PERSONNEL TO SANGIN TO RELIEVE 4/3 ANCOP. ANY ASSISTANCE IJC CAN PROVIDE TO CLARIFY THIS SITUATION WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL. THE LOSS OF 4/3 ANCOP WITHOUT A REPLACEMENT WOULD LEAVE A SECURITY VOID, WHICH COULD NOT BE ADEQUATELY FILLED BY AUP, AND THIS WOULD LEAVE ISAF MORE VULNERABLE.

YESTERDAY, LIEUTENANT GENERAL BOLGER, THE COMMANDER OF NATO TRAINING MISSION-AFGHANISTAN VISITED RC (SW). LIEUTENANT GENERAL BOLGER IDENTIFIED THE MAJOR CHALLENGE FACING THE ANSF AS A LACK OF CONFIDENCE, NOT A LACK OF CAPABILITY. ADDITIONALLY, THE ANSF REQUIRE SIGNIFICANT ASSISTANCE WITH THEIR BULK FUEL DISTRIBUTION, MAINTENANCE, AND MEDICAL CARE FOR THEIR FORCES. RC (SW) WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH HIGHER HEADQUARTERS TO INCREASE THE CONFIDENCE IN THE ANSF BY ADDRESSING THESE KEY ISSUES. RC (SW) WILL SEEK ADDITIONAL C-IED EQUIPMENT, INCREASE THE STUDENT CAPACITY AT THE EXPLOSIVE HAZARD REDUCTION COURSE, INCREASE THE PREVENTATIVE MEDICINE TRAINING, AND CONTINUE TO EMPHASIZE ANSF COORDINATION THROUGH THE OPERATIONAL COORDINATION CENTERS AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL. THE ANSF REALIZE THAT THE NEXT 90-DAYS ARE CRITICAL BECAUSE OF THE TRANSITION. RC (SW) WILL CONTINUE TO ENABLE THE ANSF TO TAKE THE LEAD.

GENERAL STATEMENT:

TASK FORCE (TF) HELMAND (TFH): (S//REL) 5 RIFLES CONDUCTED OPERATION (OP) KAPCHA BAROOD 37 V4 (HELOBORNE ASSAULT FORCE (HAF) TO DISRUPT INSURGENT (INS) FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT (FOM)). QUEEN'S ROYAL HUSSARS (QRH) CONDUCTED OP ZMARAY DILTANG (VEHICLE CHECKPOINT (VCP) OPS), OP ZMARAY VAN 01 (STANDING OP), AND OP ZMARAY PERKHA 03 (FIND, FEEL, UNDERSTAND, AND INFLUENCE (F2UI) IN THE VICINITY OF (IVO) OPERATING BASE (OB) RIKKI). 1 R WELCH CONDUCTED OP JANGLE DARA (OP BUILD) AND OP JANGLE ATEBAR 11 (PARTNERED VCP).

TF LEATHERNECK (TFL): (S//REL)

REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM-5 (RCT-5): RCT-5 CONTINUED TO EXECUTE OP MOSHTARAK, FOCUSING ON SECURITY FOR THE LOCAL POPULATION AND INSTILLING CONFIDENCE IN THE AFGHAN NATIONAL SECURITY FORCE (ANSF)

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AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN (GIROA). THE RCT ALSO CONDUCTED OP VIGILANT WARRIOR (01 JAN – 31 MAY 12) TO REALIGN AREA OF OPERATION (AO) GUADALCANAL IN SUPPORT OF (ISO) SURGE RECOVERY, AND CONDUCTED OP HARVEST MOON (01 FEB – 15 MAY 12) TO COMBAT NARCOTICS FACILITATION TAKING PLACE IN THE AO. 2/9 SUPPORTED ANSF BY PROVIDING TACTICAL OVERWATCH FOR ALL ANSF THROUGHOUT THE GREATER MARJAH (MJH) AREA. 2/6 CONDUCTED SUSTAINED OPS THROUGHOUT THEIR AO, PROVIDING PARTNERING AND MENTORING TO THE ANSF, FACILITATING AND DEVELOPING GIROA INFLUENCE AND EVALUATED ASSETS FOR POSSIBLE RETROGRADE. 2/6 ALSO CONTINUED OP RISING SUN (03 FEB – 31 MAR 12) IN ORDER TO (IOT) EXPAND THE ANSF'S SECURITY ZONE IN NAWA. 3/3 CONTINUED SUSTAINED OPS IOT DISRUPT AND INTERDICT ENEMY (EN) FOM AND CONTINUED THE PROCESS OF RETROGRADE AND REDEPLOYMENT (R2). 1ST LIGHT ARMORED RECONNAISSANCE (LAR) BATTALION (BN) BEGAN THE SHAPING PHASE OF OP HALBERD (22 MAR – 09 MAY 12) IOT PREVENT INTERFERENCE WITH AFGHAN BORDER POLICE (ABP) OPS, AND ALSO CONTINUED PARTNERED COUNTERINSURGENCY (COIN) OPS IN THE SOUTHERN HELMAND RIVER VALLEY (SHRV). 3D COMBAT ENGINEER BN (3D CEB) PROVIDED ROUTE (RTE) CLEARANCE, PROVIDED ENGINEER SUPPORT TO OPS IN THE BARI DESERT, CONDUCTED PATROL BASE (PB) AND FORCE PROTECTION (FP) IMPROVEMENTS, AND PROVIDED DISMOUNTED MOBILITY IN DIRECT SUPPORT (DS) OF RCT-5.

RCT-6: RCT-6 CONTINUED OP JAWS NESTED UNDER OP AFGHAN FORTRESS THROUGH 31 MAR 12. 3/7 CONTINUED TO SEPARATE THE POPULACE FROM THE INS AND SECURED THE DISTRICT CENTER (DC). 1/8 CONTINUED TO SECURE THE LOCAL POPULATION, EAST AND WEST OF THE HELMAND RIVER AND ALSO CONTINUED OP JAWS STAGE C, CLEARING IN THEIR RESPECTIVE ZONE. 2/5 CONTINUED TO SECURE THE DCS OF MUSA QAL'EH (MSQ) AND NOW ZAD (NZD) AND CONTINUED TO TRANSITION SECURITY OF THE SOUTHERN MSQ WADI TO THE ANSF. 31ST GEORGIAN (GEO) BN CONTINUED TO SECURE THEIR AO. HEADQUARTERS (HQ) COMPANY (CO) RCT-6 CONTINUED TO PROVIDE SECURITY ISO RCT OPS AT FORWARD OPERATING BASE (FOB) DELARAM (DLM) II. GOVERNOR LED ERADICATION (GLE) WAS OBSERVED IN AO TRIPOLI IVO SANGIN (SGN), MSQ, AND NZD. 3D CEB CONDUCTED RTE CLEARANCE ISO OP JAWS STAGE C, PROVIDED DISMOUNTED MOBILITY, AND CONDUCTED A DELIBERATE SWEEP TO OBSERVATION POST (OP) CAMELBACK HILL IN DS OF RCT-6.

TF BELLEAU WOOD (TFBW): (S//REL) NSTR.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY:

(SECRET//REL USA, ISAF, NATO) LOCAL NATIONALS (LN) IN NORTHERN MSQ ARE BECOMING DISTANT FROM GIROA AND ARE AWAITING COALITION FORCES (CF) WITHDRAWAL. LOCALS ARE NEITHER TALIBAN (TB) SUPPORTERS NOR GIROA SUPPORTERS. THE RECENT KANDAHAR INCIDENT IS WELL-KNOWN AMONG THE POPULACE AND HAS CAUSED THEM TO BE MORE CAUTIOUS AROUND CF AS THEY BELIEVE ALL CF ARE THE SAME. ADDITIONALLY, LNS BELIEVE GIROA WILL FAIL TO PROVIDE SECURITY ONCE CF WITHDRAWS. ANALYST COMMENT: LNS IN NORTHERN MSQ DISTRICT HAVE LITTLE KNOWLEDGE OF GIROA BECAUSE THEIR INFLUENCE DOES NOT EXTEND AREAS NORTH OF THE DC. IF GIROA WERE TO HAVE A MORE PROMINENT PRESENCE IN NORTHERN MSQ, LN PERCEPTIONS MAY CHANGE IN FAVOR OF GIROA.

(SECRET// REL TO FVEY) ANALYST 48 HOUR OUTLOOK: ASSOCIATES OF OBJECTIVE (b) (6)

ARE PLANNING TO CONDUCT

OPERATIONS (OP) ON OBJ MUSKEGON'S BEHALF IN NZD. INS ARE BEGINNING TO ESTABLISH DEFENSES IN NZD DISTRICT AS CF OPS ARE LIMITED IN ZAMINDAWAR, KAJAKI (KJI); INS RELY ON NZD FOR FACILITATION AND RESUPPLY TO CONTINUE OPS. IF INSS RECEIVE IEDS AND AMMUNITION, THERE WILL LIKELY BE AN INCREASE OF ATTACKS, SPECIFICALLY IN AREAS SUCH AS HERMUZ AND SPIGHAL, NZD DISTRICT.

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JOINT VISITS BUREAU: (S//REL)

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SIR PETER WESTMACOTT, UK AMB TO USA	
MAJGEN RAYMOND THOMAS, SOJTF CG	
LTGEN PATANG, CHIEF OF ANP GTP	
CORBET, BG, DIR CUOPS IJC	
LTGEN CURTIS SCAPAROTTI, COM IJC	
SERVICE CHIEFS OF CHAPLAINS	
MAJGEN BEYDLER, CG 1ST MAW	
BGEN STEVENSON, DCOM ARMY	
BGEN BEAUDREAULT, DCOM MARCENT	
TOLA, TRANSATLANTIC OPINION LEADERS AFGHANISTAN, DR. VANDA FELBAB-BROWN	
SES-3 ALAN MACDOUGALL, DIA VICE D/DIR FOR MASINT	
LTGEN WALDHAUSER, COM MARCENT	
MAJGEN BONATO, IJC DCOS STAB	
ACM SIR STEPHEN DALTON, CAS UK	
LTGEN CHARLES GREEN, USAF SURGEON GENERAL	
LTGEN PURL "KEN" KEEN, ODRP	
SES-3 WILLIAM WECHSLER, DASD FOR COUNTERNARCOTICS AND GLOBAL ACTIVITIES	
MAJGEN AGNER ROKOS, COM AOCDEN	
MAJGEN DAVID HOOK, DIR FRIC	
MR KASPER KLUNG, MIN FORGEIN AFFAIRS	
HON MABUS, SECNAV	
GEN NORTON SCHWARTZ, CSAF	
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